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In re the Application of: **Itaru HONMA, et al.**

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For: **PROTON-CONDUCTING MEMBRANE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE
SAME, AND FUEL CELL USING THE SAME**

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

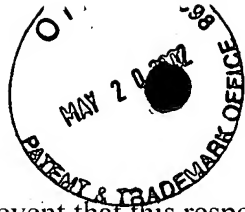
**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

May 20, 2002

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated **April 4, 2002**, enclosed for filing is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application. Also in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is the substitute specification which includes the claims commencing on a separate sheet, as required under 37 CFR §1.75(h), which add no new matter for the above-identified patent application. Also enclosed please find the drawings. It is respectfully submitted that the drawings (replacement pages), add no new matter.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of **\$1,654.00**, for the government filing fee of **\$740.00**, **\$504.00** for extra claims, **\$280.00** for multiple dependent claims, and the surcharge fee of **\$130.00** for filing the late Declaration. In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2340.



In the event that this response is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Enclosures: Notice; Declaration; Specification, Claims, Abstract and Drawings (Four Sheets)